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## Texas Coastal Management Program awards \$1.75 million in grants

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AUSTIN — Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson today announced \$1,740,000 in coastal grants awarded through the Texas Coastal Management Program will go to 21 projects.

"These grants are targeted to restore vital wildlife habitat, advance our knowledge of the Texas coast and help fund local efforts that are already making a real impact," Patterson said.

The Texas Coastal Management Program works to ensure the long-term environmental and economic health of the coast. The program is funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and managed by Patterson.

A full list with complete details on the 21 projects is available at <a href="www.glo.texas.gov/what-we-do/caring-for-the-coast/grants-funding/cmp/index.html">www.glo.texas.gov/what-we-do/caring-for-the-coast/grants-funding/cmp/index.html</a>.

Each of the projects selected was evaluated by the Coastal Coordination Advisory Committee, which is composed of representatives from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the Railroad Commission of Texas, the Texas Department of Transportation, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the Texas Water Development Board, the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, the Texas Sea Grant College Program and the Texas General Land Office. The General Land Office granted final approval of the projects.

The application will be available to applicants in April but final applications are not due until October.

To learn more about the Texas Coastal Management Program or to search for details about previously funded projects, please visit <a href="www.glo.texas.gov/what-we-do/caring-for-the-coast/grants-funding/cmp/index.html">www.glo.texas.gov/what-we-do/caring-for-the-coast/grants-funding/cmp/index.html</a>.

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